AN ORDINANCE BY

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AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CITY CODE OF ATLANTA SO AS TO REQUIRE NON-HOMESTEADED OWNERS OF REAL PROPERTY TO FILE AN ANNUAL REGISTRATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta is authorized to promulgate laws and regulations necessary and proper to promote the safety, health, peace, and general welfare of the city and its inhabitants; and

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta seeks to ensure that neighborhoods are safe and clean and that property owners are in compliance with the laws of the city at all times; and

WHEREAS, the management and enforcement of code violations, criminal activity on unimproved lots, vacant and dilapidated houses is imperative in maintaining safe and clean neighborhoods.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA as follows:

SECTION 1:

That all non-homestead real property owners shall be required to file an annual property registration.

SECTION 2:

That, such a registration shall include, but not be limited to:

- Current Home Address/Home Telephone Number/E-mail address of Property Owner;
- Current Business Address/Business Telephone Number of Property Owner;
- Name/Address/Telephone Number of any agent authorized to handle the affairs related to property; and
- A Certification that the property meets all code requirements, is not in violation of any federal or state law, is not being used for any illegal purpose and that the property's use is in compliance with all applicable zoning requirements.

SECTION 3:

That the owner of said property shall pay an annual administrative fee of fifty (50) dollars at the time of filing of the annual registration.

SECTION 4:

That all ordinances or parts or ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.